Coleman, Chief Information Officer, GSA; James Jones, Principal Deputy Administrator, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxics, EPA; and public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation held a hearing on Developing Research Priorities at DHS's Science and Technology Directorate. Testimony was heard from Brad Buswell, Acting Under Secretary, Science and Technology Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

ECONOMIC RECOVERY FUNDS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management held a hearing on Recovery Tracking: Following the Dollars to the Jobs. Testimony was heard from John R. Fernandez, Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; Bruce Kendall, Director, Office of Facilities Engineering and Operations, Smithsonian Institution and public witnesses.

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on National Security Council Review. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS: INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Sub-committee on Oversight and Investigations, and the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management held a joint hearing regarding the Congressional Notifications: Intelligence Community Policies, Practices, and Procedures. Testimony was heard from Robert Litt, General Counsel, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Joint Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2996, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine dark pools, flash orders, high frequency trading, and other market structure issues, 9:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine combating distracted driving, focusing on managing behavioral and technological risks, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the role of natural gas in mitigating climate change, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine current and expected impacts of climate change on units of the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to continue hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 1649, to prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, to prepare for attacks using weapons of mass destruction, S. 1862, to provide that certain Secret Service employees may elect to transition to coverage under the District of Columbia Police and Fire Fighter Retirement and Disability System, H.R. 553, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a strategy to prevent the over-classification of homeland security and other information and to promote the sharing of unclassified homeland security and other information, S. 1755, to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications, H.R. 730, to strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material, S. 1825, to extend the authority for relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees, S. 1860, to permit each current member of the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance to serve for 3 terms, H.R. 955, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10355 Northeast Valley Road in Rollingbay, Washington, as the "John 'Bud' Hawk Post Office", H.R. 1516, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37926 Church Street in Dade City, Florida, as the "Sergeant Marcus Mathes Post Office", H.R. 1713, to name the South Central Agricultural Research Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture in Lane, Oklahoma, and the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 310 North Perry Street in Bennington, Oklahoma, in honor of former Congressman Wesley "Wes" Watkins, H.R. 2004, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4282 Beach Street in Akron, Michigan, as the "Akron Veterans Memorial Post Office", H.R. 2760, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service